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SUBJECT: 26 TH WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY: RECOMMENDATION TO SUSPEND
VOTING PRIVILEGES OF DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

SUMMARY: WHO EXECUTIVE BOARD RECOMMENDS SUSPENSION OF
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC VOTING RIGHTS. THIS WOULD DEPRIVE
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC OPPORTUNITY VOTE FOR POSTPONEMENT OF
NORTH KOREAN MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION AND FOR 25 PERCENT
ASSESSMENT CEILING PROPOSAL. HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE DR
MAY RETAIN VOTE IF IT MAKES TIMELY AND SUBSTANTIAL
TOKEN PAYMENT ON ITS ARREARS TO WHO. END SUMMARY.

1. IN DOCUMENT ISSUED TODAY (A26/41), EXECUTIVE BOARD
RECOMMENDS THAT UNLESS PAYMENT RECEIVED BEFORE MAY 14
THE VOTING PRIVILEGES OF DOMINICAN REPUBLIC BE SUSPENDED
IN ACCORDANCE ARTICLE 7 OF WHO CONSTITUTION IN VIEW ITS
FAILURE SINCE 1966 TO MAKE PAYMENT ON ITS CONTRIBUTION
ARREARS. BOARD HAS REQUESTED DIRECTOR GENERAL SEND
CABLE TO DOMINICAN REPUBLIC GOVERNMENT INFORMING IT
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OF EXECUTIVE BOARD' S RECOMMENDATION. AS ASSEMBLY TRADITIONALLY SUPPORTS EXECUTIVE BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS THIS ACTION CAN IN EFFECT DEPRIVE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC OF VOTE DURING THIS ASSEMBLY. EXECUTIVE BOARD' S ACTION REPRESENTS CULMINATION OF EFFORTS OVER CROAD OR FACE CONFISCATION OF ID CARDS, SAU SAID THAT THIS ILLUSTRATED THIEU' S " WATERGATE STYLE" AND UNPOPULARITY. SAU BROUGHT UP THE HUNGER STRIKE OF MADAMA NGO BN THANH, THE ALLEGED CONVERSION TO CRIMINAL STATUS OF 500 POLITICAL PRISONERS LAST DECEMBER 22 AT CON SON, AND ALLEGED RELEASE BY THE GVN OF TWO POLITICAL DETAINEES AGED SEVEN AND THREE YEARS, RESPECTIVELY. IN A LACKLUSTER QUESTION PERIOD SAU REJECTED PRIVATE TALKS, HOLDING THAT QUASI- PUBLIC FORUM WAS WHOLLY APPRPPRIATE. HE SAID THAT NO MEETING APART FROM THE TEN PLENARIES HAD TAKEN PLACE.

9. DAN (GVN) PROVIDED A LONG JUSTIFICATION OF GVN LOCAL ELECTIONS. PENDING NATIONAL ELECTIONS ORGANIZED BY THE NATIONAL RECONCILIATION COUNCIL NEITHER SIDE WAS PRECLUDED BY THE AGREEMENT FROM CARRYING OUT POLITICAL ORGANIZATION OF ITS TERRITORY. THUS THE PRG WAS PERFECTLY FREE TO ORGANIZE THE " MOUNTAINS, FOREST, AND CAPTIVE POPULATION" MAKING UP ITS ZONE. UNTIL THE SVN PARTIES AGREED ON NATIONAL ELECTIONS FOR A REPRESENTATIVE BODY TO ESTABLISH GOVERNMENTAL INSTITUTIONS OTHER FORMS OF ELECTIONS WERE ADMISSIBLE.

10. ON MADAME THANH, DAN SAID THAT SHE WAS CHARGED WITH CONTEMPT OF COURT, AND HER TRIAL HAD NOT TAKEN PLACE BECAUSE OF HER ATTORNEY' S REQUEST FOR AN INDEFINITE POST-PONEMENT. ON THE PRISONER ISSUE, DAN SAID THAT THE GVN WAS CONCERNED ABOUT THE FATE OF THOUSANDS OF ITS PEOPLE HELD IN 189 COMMUNIST PRISON CAMPS IN NVN, SVN, CAMBODIA, AND LAOS. MISTREATMENT OF THEM HAD BEEN HORRIBLE: " ONE IN FIVE" HAD DIED, " ALL" HAD BERI- BERI, ETC. IN A LAPSE FROM HIS USUAL DEXTERITY DAN FUMBLERD THE PRG CHILD-PRISONERS ALLEGATION BY FIRST DENYING ANY INFORMATION ABOUT THEM, THEN ATTEMPTING SOME LAME HYPOTHETICAL EXPLANATIONS. AS WAS THE CASE AT SAU' S CONFERENCE, THERE WAS LITTLE OF PRESS INTEREST IN THE DAY' S PROCEEDINGS OR SPOKEMAN' S REMARKS.

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